Oil Refineries by Public Sector Oil Companies

2200. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have granted licences to certain Public Sector Oil Companies to set up crude oil refineries in the country;

(b) if so, which oil companies have been granted licences, till date; and

(c) the places selected by each of these oil companies to set up crude oil refineries, indicating whether any refineries arc likely to be set up in Rajasthan and Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BALLU): (a) to (c): Apart form the existing refineries, Govcnrment have issued Letters of Intent for setting up of new refineries in the Public/Joint Venture as under:

Name of the Company	Refinery	Capacity (MMTPA) Project
IOC	Panipat Refinery	6.00
IOC	East Coast JV Refinery in Orissa	6.00
HPCL	West Coast JV Refinery in Maharastra	6.00
HPCL	Joint Venture Refinery in Punjab	6.00
BPCL	Joint Venture Refinery in U.P.	7.00
Numaligarh Refinery Ltd	Joint Venture Refinery in Numaligarh (Assam)	3.00
HPCL	MRPL Refinery in JV (Karnataka)	9.00
BPCL	Joint Venture Refinery at Bina (M.P.)	6.00

Tcchno-Economie Clearance to Power Projects in Bihar

2201. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of proposals for power projects received in Central Electricity Authority from the Bihar Government since January, 1990 till date, for techno economic clearance;

(b) what action was taken thereon; and

(c) what would be the likely increase in power generation in the State after those projects are established?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) to (c) Five State Sector power project schemes, aggregating to 1605 MW, were received in the Central Electricity Authority for accord of techno-economic clearance since January, 1990 till date. These proposals are not being pursued in the Central Electricity Authority and have been returned to the project proponents for want of certain essential inputs,